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SUBJECT: REVISED COSTS ESTIMATES CONSULATE EXTENSION

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- 1. PER PARA 2 REFERENCE A IN LAST TWO MONTHS ENTREPRISE FORREST HAS BEEN AWARDED SEVERAL GOZ CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS TOTALING SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND ZAIRES. AS CONSEQUENCE FORREST APPEARS NO LONGER INTERESTED IN CONTRACT.
- 2. WE HAVE THEREFORE REQUESTED BIDS FROM CONTRACTORS, NOCCA AND SAFRICAS, TO INCLUDE ADDED SECURITY PRECAUTIONS RECOMMENDED AFTER A SECURITY CHECK OF PROPOSED PLANS BY SEABEE TULL DURING STAY HERE. EXLCUSIVE OF BID FOR ELECTRICAL WORK (SEE 3 BELOW) AND DESPITE ADDED SECURITY REQUIREMENTS AND COSTS OF INFLATION THESE ADDITIONAL BIDS APPROXIMATE ORIGINAL PRICE QUOTED BY ENTREPRISE FORREST.
- 3. PER PARA 3 REF B WE ADVISED FBO OF ADDITIONAL IMPENDING COSTS QUOTE NOT MORE THAN 500 ZAIRE UNQUOTE FOR ELETRICAL INSTALLATION IN CONSULATE EXTENSION, COST ESTIMATES SUPPLIED BY FORREST. HOWEVER, AFTER ON SITE INSPECTION OF ELETRICAL INSTALLATION BY SEABEE TULL, IT BECAME EVIDENT THAT AN INCREASE WILL BE NECESSARY.
- 4. WE RECOMMEND, AFTER REVIEW OF BIDS, DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CONTRACTORS, AND INSPECTION OF WORK DONE BY BOTH CONTRACTORS IN THE AREA, USE OF NOCCA FOR BUILDING EXTENUNCLASSIFIED

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SION. HE WILL SUBCONTRACT THE ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION TO

ENTRELZA A WELL KNOWN AND HIGHLY COMPETENT ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR HERE. THIS CHANGE OF CONTRACTORS AND ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION ENTAILS AN OVERALL INCREASE OF ONLY 63 ZAIRES FOR THE ADDED SECURITY REQUIREMENTS PLUS 2,000 ZAIRE FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION, A TOTAL INCREASE OF 4,126 DOLLARS. REQUEST EMBASSY CONCURRENCE WITH FOREGOING AND ENDORSEMENT TO WASHINGTON FBO.

5. NOCCA ESTIMATES 90 DAY COMPLETION FROM START, WILLING TO ACCEPT ZAIRES 100 (\$200) DAILY PENALTY CLAUSE AND WOULD LIKE TO START PROMPTLY IN VIEW OF OTHER WORK SCHEDULED BEGIN JANUARY.

6. REVISED COST ESTIMATES FOLLOW BY AIRGRAM. JUNIOR

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